

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

277 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 500 ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314

> TELEPHONE: (703) 836-6400 FACSIMILE: (703) 836-2787

E-MAIL: COMMCENTER@OLIFF.COM

www.oliff.COM



FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION COVER SHEET

January 18, 2001

to: Off	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
703	-308-7751
From: C	hristine Spillers
Your Ref.:	Our Ref.:
Number o	Pages Sent (Including cover sheet): 5
Prepared I	By: cas
	Comments:
Ti patent ap	ne attached Filing Receipt should not have been sent to this firm—we are not handling this plication. The correspondence address is incorrect.
Sent by:	
privilege	mile is intended only for the use of the individual or entity named above and may contain or confidential information. If you are not the intended recipient, or the employee or agent le to deliver it to the intended recipient, you are notified that any review, dissemination,

distribution or copying of this facsimile is prohibited. If you have received this facsimile in error, please immediately notify us by facsimile or telephone, and return the facsimile to us by mail at the above address.

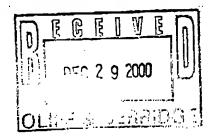


United States Patent and Trademark Office

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231
WWW.uspio.gov

MILLOR	FILING DATE GRP ART UNIT FIL FEE REC'D ATTY, DOCKET, NO DRAWINGS TOT CLAIN					TOT CLAIMS	IND CLAIMS	ı
APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING DATE	GRP ART UNIT	FIL FEE REC'D	ATTY,DOCKET.NO	O C	13	4	1
09/674,355	11/02/2000	2643	1340	851663.417US	0	13	•	

Oliff & Berridge PO Box 19928 Alexandria, VA 22320



FILING RECEIPT
-00000000005641394*

Date Mailed: 12/27/2000

Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, will be notified as to the results application. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service Center, Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the PTO processes the reply to the Notice, the PTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s)

Ryo Takeda, Kurashiki, JAPAN; Shigeharu Ochi, Niihama, JAPAN; Takeshi Tange, Niihama, JAPAN; Takao Ogawa, Kurashiki, JAPAN;

Continuing Data as Claimed by Applicant

THIS APPLICATION IS A 371 OF PCT/SG98/00031 04/30/1998

Foreign Applications

JAPAN 11-037812 02/16/1999 JAPAN 11-055925 03/03/1999 JAPAN 11-227623 08/11/1999

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted 12/27/2000

Title

Automatic brightness limitation for avoiding video signal clipping

Preliminary Class

348

Page 2 of 4

Data entry by : NGUYEN, SON

Team : OIPE

Date: 12/27/2000

LICENSE FOR FOREIGN FILING UNDER Title 35, United States Code, Section 184 Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 5.11 & 5.15

OLIFF & BERRIDGE

GRANTED

The applicant has been granted a license under 35 U.S.C. 184, if the phrase "IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE GRANTED" followed by a date appears on this form. Such licenses are issued in all applications where the conditions for issuance of a license have been met, regardless of whether or not a license may be required as set forth in 37 CRF 5.15. The scope and limitations of this license are set forth in 37 CFR 5.15(a) unless an earlier license has been issued under 37 CFR 5.15(b). The license is subject to revocation upon written notification. The date indicated is the effective date of the license, unless an earlier license of similar scope has been granted under 37 CFR 5.13 or 5.14.

This license is to be retained by the licensee and may be used at any time on or after the effective date thereof unless it is revoked. This license is automatically transferred to any related applications(s) filed under 36 CFR 1.53(d). This license is not retroactive.

The grant of a license does not in any way lessen the responsibility of a licensee for the security of the subject matter as imposed by any Government contract or the provisions of existing laws relating to espionage and the national security or the export of technical data. Licensees should apprise themselves of current regulations especially with respect to certain countries, of other agencies, particularly the Office of Defense Trade Controls, Department of State (with respect to Arms, Munitions and Implements of War (22 CFR 121-128)); the Office of Export Administration, Department of Commerce (15 CFR 370.10 (j)); the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of Treasury (31 CFR Parts 500+) and the Department of Energy.

NOT GRANTED

No license under 35 U.S.C. 184 has been granted at this time, if the phrase "IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE GRANTED" DOES NOT appear on this form. Applicant may still petition for a license under 37 CFR 5.12, if a license is desired before the expiration of 6 months from the filing date of the application. If 6 months has lapsed from the filing date of this application and the licensee has not received any indication of a secrecy order under 35 U.S.C. 181, the licensee may foreign file the application pursuant to 37 CFR 5.15

PLEASE NOTE the following information about the Filing Receipt:

- The articles such as "a," "an" and "the" are not included as the first words in the title of an application. They are considered to be unnecessary to the understanding of the title.
- The words "new," "improved," "improvements in" or "relating to" are not included as first words in the title of an application because a patent application, by nature, is a new idea or improvement.
- The title may be truncated if it consists of more than 600 characters (letters and spaces combined).
- The docket number allows a maximum of 25 characters.
- If your application was submitted under 37 CFR 1.10, your filing date should be the "date in" found on the Express Mail label. If there is a discrepancy, you should submit a request for a corrected Filing Receipt along with a copy of the Express Mail label showing the "date in."
- The title is recorded in sentence case.

Any corrections that may need to be done to your Filing Receipt should be directed to:

Page 4 of 4

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Office of Initial Patent Examination Customer Service Center Washington, DC 20231